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FOR: C/E/STE
RE : CASCOPE/Herr Ackermann (P)

1. Subject had the following to say when the agenda turned -- briefly -- to Tech Transfer during this morning's meeting, the better part of which dealt with intel support on I&W problems:

A. CASCOPE has acquired intelligence pointing to the existence of a large-scale MfS techn transfer operation mounted out of the "Kommerzielle Koordinierung" unit of the DDR Ministerium fuer Aussenhandel and head by a fnu BEIL and fnu SCHALK, latter of whom has rank/title of "Ministerialrat" (or MinSekretaer; notes unclear). CASCOPE source(s) report that both B and S received high DDR awards lately. To the KK report a number of pseudo-legitimate businesses in the DDR (not VEBs but names like "Impex") which are staffed to a man by MfS cooptees or officers. These businesses apparently have no permanent reps outside the DDR, but their officers travel extensively, even to the U.S. Ackermann wanted to know whether we had anything on the KK. I said I did not know, would inquire, and send out what we had, along with a request for a fuller written CASCOPE report on the whole KK complex. Pls follow through with E/G and TT:

B. When CASCOPE Pres Blum was here he passed (to whom?) a highly sensitive CASCOPE report on what they uncovered of a major MfS computer diversion operation in and through Vienna. Ackermann referred to the report only to document his contention that Austria was a key TT "Durchgangslager". XXXXX Felt a little embarassed to acknowledge that we didn't receive Blum's report (wonder if TTAC has it.) Ask Gary if he knows anything about it.

C. CASCOPE has approval to place an officer in the German consulate in Antwerp and in the German Perm Mission to UNIDO/IAEA. He is looking for suggestions on how they might be tasked against TT.

2. To my surprise, learned that Ackermann was not one of the CASCOPERS briefed by [] and [] 3 weeks ago. He and we were obviously at a disadvantage in trying to convey the sense of our operational programs without the benefit of the background on "the threat". Rosenlehner asked whether we might be able to pouch out the equivalent of a threat briefing for Ackermann. See if [] can work something out with TTAC and the German Branch.

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